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DAISUKE AOKI ET AL. ) : Examiner: David H. Bollinger  
Application No.: 10/606,312 ) : Group Art Unit: 3653  
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*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
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		<b>6-171771</b>	<b>06/21/1994</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

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Small Entity

Fee (\$) Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
15	- 20 or HP = 0	x 0	= 0	Fee (\$)

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